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White Iceland Fox Scarves \$2.98 Children's fur sets, formerly \$4 to \$15, now half prices.

Black Fox muffs ... \$16.98 \$1.75 Black Coney muffs ... \$2.75 Black Coney muffs ... \$2.75 \$20 Black Fox muffs ... \$14.75 \$22 Black Fox muffs ... \$14.75 \$2.75 Black Coney Chin chin \$2.75 Black Fox muffs ... \$19.75 \$2.75 Black Coney Chin chin \$1.48 Black Fox muffs Black Fox scarves \$11.98
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\$32 Black Fox scarves ... \$24.98 Scarves ... Scarves . disfaction and wear well. 19 Black Narobia Lynx muff \$5.48 \$3.00 Woolen Skating Caps and Stil Black Narobia Lynx muff \$7.25 Sis Black Narobia Lynx Muff \$11.48 \$4.00 Woolen Skating Caps and \$4.00 Woolen Skating Ca \$21 Black Narobia Lynx muff \$15.98
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Black Eastern Lynx muffs \$3.00 Separate Cloth Skirts ... \$27.48 \$4.00 Separate Cloth Skirts ... \$27.48 \$6.00 Separate Cloth Skirts ... \$4.00 Separate Cloth Skirts ... \$27.48 \$5.00 Corduroy Skirts ... \$2: Natural Raccoon muffs . \$12.98
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\$26 Natural Raccoon muffs . \$18.96
\$13 Natural Raccoon neckpieces \$8.45
\$16 Natural Raccoon neckpieces \$8.45
\$10 and \$12 Asst. Cloth Coats
\$15.86 Black China Wolf muffs \$4.75
\$11 Black China Wolf muffs . \$6.75
\$14 Black China Wolf muffs . \$8.48
\$28 Black Skunk muff . . . \$15.98
\$25 and \$28 Pinel Coats

Black Skunk muffs ... \$15.98 Coats ... Start Skunk muffs ... \$13.48 Stand \$25 and \$28 Plush Coats ... Natural Skunk muffs ... \$23.98 \$5.75 guaranteed Rain Coats ... Natural Skunk muffs ... \$23.98 \$8.00 guaranteed Rain Coats ... Natural Skunk muffs ... \$23.48 \$11.00 guaranteed Rain Coats ... Natural Skunk muffs ... \$23.48 \$10.00 guaranteed Rain Coats ... Natural Skunk muffs ... \$32.98 \$30c Children's Toy Tox ... Natural Skunk muffs ... Natural Skunk muffs

\$17 White Erminette set \$9.48 | \$32 Natural Skunk scarves .. \$22.48 | \$4.00 Knitted Sweaters \$2.48 \$4,75 \$6.50 White Iceland Fox scarves \$4.48 \$12 Leopard fur sets.......\$6.48 \$10.00 Angora Wool Sweaters \$2.75 75c New Lingerie shirt waists.. 39c \$3.75 85c New Lingerie shirt waists . 48c traffic department have been ordered to give their time to urging receivers \$5.75 \$1.25 New Lingerie shirt waists 98c and shippers of freight to use more

\$2.00 New Lingerie silk waists \$1.48 expedilency in loading cars.
\$2.50 New Lingerie shirt waists \$1.98 The public announcement \$8.25 \$2.50 Black & white silk waists \$1.98 addressed also to the Interstate Com-\$2.75 Black & white silk waists \$1.98 merce Commission and the Public Ser-\$3.75 Crepe de Chine waists . . \$2.75 Vice Commissions of Connecticut, New \$4.50 Black and white silk waists \$3.48 York, Massachusetts and Rhode Isl-\$3.75 Crope de chine waists ... \$2.75 and. In his letter, he says: \$4.50 Crope de chine waists ... \$3.48 "I desire to submit to you 75c percaline petticoats 48c of the New Haven Co. and its allied \$1.00 Percaline petticoats 69c lines a statement about present con-\$1.00 Percaline petticoats \$1,25 Heatherbloom petticoats 89c Extraordinary values in silk pet-

ticoats 85.75. All our ostrich plumes formerly priced from \$1.00 to \$10 now half. 14, which seriously reduced the abil-Millinery Trimmings of every descrip-Marabout neck capes and muffs, half titles at hand, and by the storm of Dec.

> \$2.98 from \$1.50 to \$5.00, now half price, in many places are wholly inadequate, 52.48 75c Velvetta covered hats ..., 19c had been doing the largest volume of business in its history, and has been some that the business in its history, and has been some that the business in its history, and has been some that the business in its history, and has been some that the business in its history and has a second business in its history.

\$12.48 now half.

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Tax Commission To

Chamber of Commerce Secretary Sees Danger In Bridgeport's Boom.

new residents will invite themselves to this city.

m small factories to locate here," said Secretary Gove to a Farmer re-"We will probably get one exygen plant that will care for the large quantity of that gas needed in welding processes in this city, but the larger factory will not consider Bridgeport today for two reasons: Bridgeport today for two reasons:
That we have no labor market due to
shortage of houses, and because land
is held at too high a figure.

"Promoters have come to this city and boosted the price of land until it is far beyond the reach of any industrial concern, and too high for the erection of houses for industrial laborers. There is actually no land to be had in Bidgeport today and all pros-pective housing ventures have fallen by the board because of this fact. "I believe, however, " continued in the Bed secretary Gove, "that the realty values here are fictitious at the present the

here are fictitious at the present time and that prices have reached an apex. Many property holders continue to keep their holdings, however, in the expectation of an increase in the grand list. Later the bottom will drop out and the associations now attempting housing projects may be able to create a labor market that will continue the Bridgeport boom. "To apprecite how ridiculous some

of the askings are I may say that I tried to get some sections last week and viewed rock piles which owners asked \$2,000 per acre for. This is ridiculous when it is considered that industrial housing means one cannot go above \$3,000 for both land and

The trolley system, here is grossly inadequate to cope with the increase of population. It will take years to increase its facilities under normal conditions and when it is considered that the Connecticut Co. is practically in the hands of receivers, what traffic aid may be looked for in that direc-

"At this time the traffic committee BANKS OF STATE into that situation but owing to the holiday season little progress has been made by the members."

Hold Open Meeting

An open meeting of the special tax commission for the revision of the tax system of Connecticut will be held on January 18, at the Capitol in Hartpress their views.

chamber of commerce.

Investigation by that civic body tends to show that unless remedial measures, not in sight at the present,

win of New Haven; Frank H. Stadt-in a few days there are substantial this company can handle them.

"It is interesting to note that the will donate specials for Periodic additions to the market value of Stocks. In some there are slight reductions and a few remain as in line running tracks, and yards, had during the side tracks.

DELAY NASAL OPERATIONS

lay operations upon the nose and throat until the epidemic of the grip, now prevailing, is ended. Dr. D. Bryson Delevan, at whose suggestion the warning was issued, said that physicians learned during the great grip epidemic of 1895 that nasal operations could not be successfully performed when such an epidemic was prevalent.

In all cases referred to not service is much heavier than on the form the stock of the train service is much heavier than on a railroad like the Chicago, Burling a railroad like the Chicago, Burling ton & Quincy, and makes a problem of furnishing transportation in sufficient, quantity and of satisfactory quality under the present unusual and congested conditions that much more difficult.

The stock of the Travelers' insurance Co. of Hartford has been increased in valuation \$145 a share and the Hartford Steam Boiler & Insurance Corps Is

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Bed Bugs

drive away your roomers and keep your friends from staying over night. They ing associations, all based on a par rather leave and say nothing, it is courtesy, but is not forgotten.

CYRUS' PRESTO KILLER will kill the bugs and rid the house of the pest, 25c.

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Hartford, Dec. 30-Bank Commisdoner William H. Corbin has issued a statement of the valuation, for purposes of taxation, of the stock of ford. Any one who so desires may ex- banks, trust companies, insurance companies and investment companies, A serious drawback to industrial progress in the Park City is apparent through indiscriminate realty speculation and over-population according lation and over-population according posed of ex-Governor Simeon E. Baldto Secretary George W. Gove of the win of New Haven; Frank H. Stadtin a few days there are substantial

In national banks the largest in-

Norwich; one trust company, the two, when the company has been going through a period of depression, readjustment, and reconstruction of its town, and one insurance company, the Aetna Indemnity of Hartford, are in hands of receivers.

Other valuations of local interest in he report are these of national bankvalue of \$100:

Bethel: Bethel National bank, \$105. Bridgeport: City National bank, Connecticut National bank, \$192; First-Bridgeport National bank, Canaan: Canaan National bank,

Danbury: City National bank, \$118; Danbury National bank, \$150. Falls Village: National Iron bank, Greenwich: Greenwich National

Litchfield: First National bank, \$120. New Canaan: First National bank.

New Milford: First National bank, \$135. Norwalk: Central National bank, \$105; Fairfield County National bank, \$120; National Bank of Norwalk, \$113. Ridgefield: First National bank, \$ 00. South Norwalk: City National bank,

Trust and Investment Companies. Bridgeport: American Bank & Trust \$125; Bridgeport Morris Plan Co., right to borrow the large sum Watson Trust Co., \$15 a.

\$55; (par value \$50.) \$140; Putnam Trust Co., \$140.

Norwalk: Peoples' Trust Co., \$100. Trust Co., \$75; (par value \$50.)

Southport: Southport Trust Co., Stamford: Fidelity Title & Trust Co. .\$118; Stamford Trust Co., \$190. Stratford: Stratford Trust Co., \$115. Watertown: Watertown Trust Co..

Winsted: Winsted Trust Co., \$20 a.

RAILROAD TIE-UP

Utilities Commission His Beliefs.

\$4.48 fore the Chamber of Commerce on sumption, shipments to the Brooklyn he freight situation, has made a \$6.48 lic announcement giving his beliefs on \$13.00 Angora Wool Sweaters \$7.48 the congestion that has been apparent for several weeks. Field men in the

"I desire to submit to you on behalf of the New Haven Co. and its allied ditions due to congestion of business on its own lines, congestion/in and around New York harbor, and on \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98, \$3.98, \$4.75, many of its connecting lines, conditions which have been made much worse by the great storm of Dec. 13mum amount of service with the facil-26, which did much damage and de-Ostrich boas, one-third less than stroyed and retarded the work of reregular prices, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.75. \$3.75, \$4.75 \$1.25 Children's trimmed school school storing wire communications by tele-graph and telephone, and of clearing the road of delayed freight. Prior \$3.98 eight days of a number of months in days in the same months in 1914 and

September, ... 42,484 39,626 39,487 October, 47,361 43,360 44,673 November, ... 47,766 39,173 45,621 December, ... 50,677 37,748 44,193 "The New Haven road has on its rails today nearly 46,000 freight cars, which is about 8,000 cars more than it had a year ago, and 12,000 more than in December, 1913. The result is that its tracks, terminals and other facili-

es are congested in many places, freight, but the owners of the freight storms and congestion, connecting The prizes this year will be numerous lines have more than 8,000 loads for delivery, mostly at New York and via pries offered by the association, Mrs.

In all cases referred to, par value is lined in this letter, the New Haven has not been able to add materially The statement shows that one na- to its facilities during the last few tional bank, the First National of years, particularly during the last financial and corporate states. Improvements have been authorized, not including equipment, which are being made as rapidly as men, material and nearly \$5,000,000. In addition to this. very large sums should be spent, if noney can be obtained, for additions to tracks, bridges, terminals, engine facilities, and motive power, both steam and electric.

"In spite of financial troubles, the freight equipment of the company is in much better shape than it was a treatment. year ago. A year ago there were 4,800 freight cars in bad order and now there are less than 1,600—a marked improvement, and a number not far from the minimum that may be expected with 46,000 cars on the road; The company has placed orders for 33 powerful freight locomotives to be de-livered in January and February, and 500 coal cars which are promised in March, costing about \$1,500,000. "The company has tried to relieve

its rail lines just so far as it could by diverting business to its boat lines, but here again it has not been able to add to its facilities because of the uncertainty surrounding the future of the boat lines. The company considered very seriously placing an order nearly a year ago for two additional freight steamers to run on Long Island Sound, Co., \$110; Bridgeport Land & Title but it did not feel that it had the \$80 a; Bridgeport Trust Co., \$165; money necessary, considering the fact that within a comparatively short Darien: Home Bank & Trust Co., time the company might be ordered, under the Panama Canal act, to dis-Greenwich: Greenwich Trust Co., pose of all of its water lines. The 140; Putnam Trust Co., \$140.

Lakeville: Robbins, Burrall Trust is not as great as the company would

"There comes a time when the vol-Shelton: Shelton Bank & Trust Co., ume of business that is being done by man, a steel mill, a hotel, or a rail-South Norwalk: South Norwalk road is more than the physical ability of the man or the enterprise to carry on successfully, and in such cases the part of prudence is to state the case frankly to customers and patrons and to explain why there is delay in furnishing goods, accommodation, or service. It looks today as if for the time being the New Haven Road can do Westport: Westport Bank & Trust no more than it is doing, and that it may have to withdraw temporarily from some kinds of business. "The management of the New Ha-Farmer Want Ads. One Cent a Word ven earnestly hopes that the result of

the efforts now being made on its own road and on its connecting lines will permit the present large volume of ousiness to continue and that it will be necessary to put out so-called 'emargoes' and curtail service for only limited periods of time; but it feels that it should state to you the situation that is confronting it at the pres ent time-a condition brought about by causes that are beyond its control. The management will be glad to receive any suggestion from you who represent both the public and the railroads as to steps that can be taken."

The Pennsylvania Railroad an-President Howard Elliott of the New restrictions on the shipment of many \$2.48 Haven railroad who will come to this affected being live stock, dressed city early next month to speak bemeats, foodstuffs for human connavy yard, etc.

The public announcement has been FOR DAMAGES IN

Stratford Avenue Structure's Commission Overlooked Thousands.

Again the question of land damages for the new Stratford avenue bridge pops up and although it was generally supposed that any land damages would be provided for in \$400,000 ond issue, given for the bridge, it now appears that the bridge commission contracted for the bridge without regard to the fand damages.

In the requisition filed by the streets and sidewalks committee of the com mon council \$60,000 is asked for this purpose. When the question of widening Stratford avenue came up, estimates varying from \$41,000 to nearly \$80,000 were made by the commission a special committee of real estate men

and the City Planning Commission. The streets and sidewalks commit tee this year asks for \$478,000. Of this \$200,000 is for water bound macadam; \$25,000 for three comfort stations; \$55,000 for proposed extension of Boston avenue from North avenue to Main street; sidewalks and grading, Shawl collar and pockets \$10,000; state highways, \$7,000; new sidewalks, cyrbs and gutters, \$1,000; general grading, \$10,000; crosswalks \$5.000; new watering troughs, \$1,000; removal of trees and setting back of curbs, \$6,000; general land damages, \$12,000

MORE ENTRIES THAN EVER BEFORE IN BIG

show to be given by the Bridgeport Consolidated Poultry and Dog associa-There are more than 12,000 loaded tion at Eagles hall from January cars awaiting the discharge of their to 6, are pouring in, and the indications are that the entry list will be the are having some of the same difficulty largest of any similar exhibition ever that the New Haven is having because their own facilities are inadequate in day for entries, but all received by places and cars are not released first mail tomorrow morning will be promptly. Today, on account of allowed to stand.

the Poughkeepsie Bridge, as soon as F. L. Schubert of 643 North avenue, this company can handle them. will donate specials for Pekingese of his company can handle them. will donate specials for Pekingese of all colors. Mrs. C. H. Hair has also New Haven, with 4,535 miles of track, given a silver cup for the best Pomer-

Among the other donations is that crease is in the stock of the Nauga- new loads, while the Chicago, Burling- has offered specials enough for all TILL GRIP DAYS PASS

crease is in the stock of the Naugatuck National which is jumped \$35 per share. The First National bank of Hartford is put up \$22 a share surgeons were warned by the New York Health Department today to delay operations upon the nose and the rose and the stock of the Naugatuck National which is jumped \$35 per share. The First National bank of Meritage and the First National Bank of M

Called For Man Ill With Attack of Grip

The Emergency hospital corps was ummoned to the Lake Torpedo Boat Co. plant in lower Seaview avenue at 4:15 yesterday afternoon, where it was reported a man was dying. Upon the arrival of the Emergency hospital am-bulance it was found that the patient had disappeared. Upon the return trip Graziano Bopits, recently arrived from Peekskill, N. Y., and an employe of the Lake company, was overtaken at the foot of Jefferson street. Dr. John F. Canavan diagnosed the case as one of the grip and the patient was removed to Bridgeport hospital for

WATCH NIGHT MEETING.

At the First Methodist church, tonorrow night, there will be held a Watch Night service of unusual interest. The meeting will open at 9 o'clock and the first hour will be giv-en to a Praise service and Love Feast. From 10 to 11 there will be social hour and refreshments will be served. At 11 o'clock the Rev. Robert J. Beach will preach and after the sermon the pastor, George M. Brown, will conduct the closing service. Special music will be provided by Miss Esther M. Berg and Miss Vera C. Bertilson,

THE WEATHER

New Haven, Dec. 30—Forecast: Generally fair tonight and Friday. Connecticut: Fair tonight and probably Friday; not much change in temperature. Moderate northwest winds, becoming variable.

The storm which passed over this section yesterday is now cen-tral near St. Johns, N. F. There is no well-defined storm area this morning between the Rocky Mountains and the Atlantic coast, but considerable weather with an occasional flurry of snow prevails in the northern districts. A well-defined disturbance is central on the Pacific coast near Los Angeles, Cal. The temperatures are lower along the northern border. Zero temperatures were reported from Nevada, Mont., Wyoming, North and South Dakota, New York and Vermont.

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Low Prices on WINTER COATS--

Were \$12.95 and \$15.00--now \$10.00

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Black zibeline coats with fancy trimmed back and plush bottom. Loose model, buttoning close to throat.

Heavy pebble cloth coats with full flare bottom. Rich fur collar. Belted all around. In navy blue or brown. Navy blue, wool velour coats with plush Chin-Chin collar.

Wide flare bottom. Belted. These three styles formerly \$12.95 to \$15.00

Second floor.

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Durable Petticoats

Of fine quality Hudson satin, with deep pleated flounce and dust ruffle. All sizes including

Wool Sweaters

For women. Fine and warm vet light in weight. Of all wool in navy, maroon and white. \$3.75

Washable cape gloves are varm yet attractive looking. l'hose in ovster white with fine ine of black stitching on the extra sizes \$1.00 backs are especially pretty.

Gloves for the Holiday

Heavy leatherette gloves for vomen. Wash like a silk glove. a gray, tan, chamois and

white 75e pr. Children's gray mocha mitens. Fleece lined. Sizes 2 to 8 50c pr.

DAINTY BLOUSES For Dressy and Every-Day Wear

A wide variety of attractive waists reasonably, priced. POULTRY SHOW HERE Grepe de chine waists in many shades, Tub silks, colored striped silk waists, and lace blouses with underwaist of chiffon. Entries for the big dog and poultry light shades for evening wear and darker tones for street

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Postpone Meeting

The meeting of the Spanish club planned for this evening has been postponed for a week because of the illness of W. P. Adams, vice-president and chairman of the committee. Next and chairman of the committee Next bay for 55 hours' work than they have been getting for 60 hours. Women employes will receive a minimum wage

Mr. Adams is confined to his home at 595 State street with an attack of attack of the grip and is confined to Bridgeport hospital.

MERIDEN FACTORIES REWARD EMPLOYES REFUSING TO STRIKE

Meriden, Conn., Dec. 30.—Announcement was made today at the factory of Manning, Bowman & Co., a branch of the International Silver Co., that all employes who falled to join the strike now in progress at the com-pany's plant will receive as a New Year's gift an amount equal to two Co., by the National Railway of Mexi-

hour they have worked since Oct. 4 The office force, with the exception of of Spanish Club high salaried men, will also receive

sums proportionate to salary. ployes will receive a minimum wage of 12 1-2 cents an hour.

The same schedule and rate of pay, the grip. Bernard Cooper, secretary it was stated, will also go into effect of the club, is also suffering from an at the Manning, Bowinan & Co. factory on January 1.

> Bridgeport Public Market and Branch, State and Bank streets, East cain street, will be open Friday night, losed all day New Year's. Shop early. Our display of New Year's poultry this year wil be the finest in the city. stock the very best that can be had, prices lowest. Turkeys, choice fowls, fancy roasting chickens, stewing fowls,

A contract for 30 sleeping cars and dinres was closed with the Pullman

fresh killed ducks, geese .- Adv.